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NEW YORK BOXING GAME
IS ALWAYS IN DANCE

Sport Tries to Go Straight, but Has
Some Trouble

Gunman.
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NEW YORK, April 12.—Like an
other paroled thug trying to go
straight, the New York boxing gam
is always in danger of being picke

Boxing got another chance last fall after three years' banishment for crookedness. Since then the game has been trying to go straight but having the same trouble that a

square-shooter with the law, back in his old neighborhood. Boxing is keeping away from the old gang of crooked promoters, but the gambler will not keep away from the fight shows and they won't be content.

This is the situation that the new boxing commission, composed of amateurs, must understand when they take charge of the game in New York State. Under the law now proposed

have four deputies who will be paid \$1,000 a year each. The commission will regulate wrestling as well as boxing.

Does Extremely Well.

Boxing has done extremely well since being restored to liberty last fall, thanks to the present paid commission, Tex Rickard and a few other individuals. It was one of the funniest things this season to watch the

Second rounds aren't allowed to show cursing or anything else from the corners during the fighting, as they used to do, and even the towel that used to be

boxer's butchered countenance is disturbed the smoke strata thereabout has been done away with by regrettably. Fights usually start right on time. Even champions are not allowed to pull long stage-waits. Decent women go to the fights at the better clubs and hear nothing to offend. Seconds have to wear uniform attire and show license cards before being admitted to any fighter's corner.

However, the game is so uncertain that people who like it as cash customers are almost afraid to raise feeble cheer over a good knockout Governor Miller, who took office since the present boxing law was passed, takes the same attitude toward professional boxing that an old plain clothes-man has toward a pick pocket. However, all things being equal, the cop doesn't hold anything

If Tex Rickard were in any other business he would mighty soon get court order permitting him to hold the Dempsey-Carpenter fight in New York state. The present law allows the fight only in the Governor "intimates" with the aid of a tumbling tomstone, that he'd rather they "take it somewhere else, but he knows game is always around, hat in hand begging favors from politicians pleading not to be sent away again."

and therefore it can never demand any protection under the law. Le Rickard make a fuss about his rights in the Dempsey-Carpenter matter and the Legislature might repeal the whole boxing law—like that.



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